

## 15,000 Germans Are Killed In Canal Fight

London, Oct. 27.—With battle of the Yser canal in the hands of the Germans. Possession of the canal and air, experts believe the struggle for mastery of the French and Belgian coasts has reached its critical stage. Though Nieuport is still in the hands of the Allies, the fact that the Germans have brought up heavy guns and driven off the allied fleet, may cause the French and English forces to fall back to the southward, leaving Nieuport and fighting along the canal.

## OWENS' PACER BREAKS NECK

"Lincoln Boy" a valuable pacer, owned by J. C. Owens of this city, and one of the entrants in the races this afternoon, was instantly killed at the fair grounds this morning when the animal reared backward falling upon the ground and breaking its neck. Mr. Owens, who was driving the horse to a cart, had a narrow escape from injury.

## REDUCED RATES TO FAIR GROUNDS

Arrangements were completed Tuesday morning by the Southeast Alabama Fair Association for transportation to and from the fair grounds by automobile, including admission to the grounds, all for seventy-five cents. Tickets are on sale at the Mullen hotel and Brown's Drug Store.

## GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF RAILROAD IS ADVOCATED

Chicago, Oct. 27.—Government control of railroads with zone managers similar to regional banks and combination of lines and equipment for the sake of eliminating expensive and needless competition was urged in an interview by President Ripley, of the Santa Fe system.

Mr. Ripley's views are so revolutionary he admitted he did not know how they would be accepted by his own board of directors, but declared them the only salvation for the railroads except government ownership.

## IT'S GREAT FOR BALBY BOWELS AND STOMACHS

We want all people who have chronic stomach trouble or constipation, no matter how long standing, to try one dose of Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy—one dose will convince you. This is the medicine so many of our local people have been taking with surprising results.

## WILL GREECE AND ITALY GET IN WAR GAME

Rome, Oct. 27.—The tension between Italy and Greece was increased today when Greece notified the powers that she would occupy Epirus "to suppress anarchy" which has followed the downfall of the Albanian government. Italian papers demand that Italy curb the Grecian activity at once.

## KAISER ORDERS CAPTURE OF CALAIS AT ANY COST

London, Oct. 27.—Emperor Wilhelm has ordered the capture of Calais "irrespective of the expenditure of life or material," according to a dispatch received from Berlin via Copenhagen.

FOUND—One rain coat. Identify and pay for this ad. Eagle office.

## BELL GIVEN A HEARING TODAY

W. J. Bell, of Dothan, charged with killing W. A. Ott, of Columbia, was given a preliminary hearing before Judge A. C. Crawford this morning, and bound over for the grand jury under a \$1,500 bond, which was made.

The State introduced only three witnesses, while the defense was content to offer no testimony.

## MINE EXPLOSION KILLS SEVENTY

Springfield, Ill., Oct. 27.—An explosion in the Franklin coal mine at Royalton, Ill., is believed to have cost seventy lives. Thirty dead have already been recovered.

## BOLL WEEVIL ARTICLE FROM WEST ALABAMA

Repton, Ala., Oct. 26, 1914.  
Editor Eagle:

This is perhaps no opportune time to be writing pessimistic articles, but we think that fair warning is appropriate at any time when danger is imminent. So we now propose to tell the farmers and business men of that section something of the boll weevil and his work as seen hereabouts.

The weevil itself is spoken of in three stages of development. The eggs are deposited in the cotton squares and young bolls. Very soon a tiny white worm about one-eighth of an inch appears. To look at it you would never think that it would be anything else but a worm. But by close inspection in a little later stage you will observe that the raised has his head slightly tucked down under him, an evidence of meanness, but not of the slightest laziness in this instance.

From the very point of his head extending to the other end of his body on the under side, right soon begins to develop a long needle-like bill and as it develops it is gradually separated from the body. While the bill is developing signs of little wings appear. This is the second stage of development. In a very short time after this stage he develops into a full shaped boll weevil which would remind one of an ordinary corn weevil in some respects, except that his bill is as long that it has the appearance of a short bristle. And bristle it is, for with that little instrument more bales of cotton have been lost in West and Southwest Alabama this season than many mighty trains could carry.

As soon as they are old enough to fly, which is only a few days at most, they begin to pierce the young squares and tender bolls if there happens to be any bolls left. The buds of the square not larger than

the end of your little finger are pierced from three to a dozen times. That seals the doom of the squares. They can no more bloom afterwards than a knot on a log could.

I have examined hundreds of them and been in fields where the cotton would average over waist high and perfectly green and flourishing where for acre after acre not a bloom could be seen. As an example of some of their destruction I present the names of a few planters, and what the weevils have done for them here.

M. D. McMillon is not expecting to get a total of ten pounds off of eight acres.

Joe Hall has 15 acres, shoulder high, won't get 5 bales. It is extra good land and he has in previous years been getting a bale to the acre.

Fletcher Hobbs has nine acres that will not make over two bales all told. He has before now been getting from half to three fourths of a bale to the acre. It was planted about the usual time and cultivated to defeat the weevil if possible.

Capt. McRitt has eighteen acres that he usually gets from fifteen to eighteen bales. He is not expecting over two bales off of the entire field.

Harmon Dougherty, over at Robinsonville, has nine acres of new ground cotton planted a little late that he has picked only seventy-four pounds of seed cotton off of it all, and does not expect to pick any more because there will not be enough to pay him.

M. F. Knight has a two and a half acre patch late planted but with 500 pounds of fertilizer to the acre with no blooms to be seen and the crop literally eaten up. Robinson and Knight, merchants have thirty-five acres that have been

## MOTOR DOME RIDERS IN GREAT STUNT

Many interesting attractions at the Fair Grounds—Enough Variety to Suit Everybody.

Offering a great variety of entertainment, the first annual exhibition of the Southeast Alabama Fair Association is in full swing with good programs each afternoon and night.

The feature attraction is the Motordome Riders, one of the most daredevil stunts and the first of its kind to be seen in Dothan. The motorcyclists ride in a horizontal position around a circular perpendicular wall. The momentum of the machines keep them sticking to the wall. The feat is based upon the same principle as swinging a bucket of water over one's head without spilling the water. Hartley and Chandler, of Sheesley's Greater

## Survivors From Sunken Steamer Reach London

London, Oct. 27.—Two thousand four hundred and thirty seven survivors of the French Steamer Admiral Gautreau which was blown up by a mine yesterday off Boulogne arrived today. Fifty-three were lost.

## BATTLE RAGES IN SNOW STORM

Petrograd, Oct. 27.—Defeat of Germans in their flanking movement north of Warsaw is announced in an official report today. It states that the Germans have retreated toward Thorn, their base in East Prussia.

## Zeppelin Airships Bombard Warsaw

Berlin, Oct. 27.—Fighting is in progress about the walls of Warsaw and Zeppelin airships are bombarding the city. The great French fortress of Verdun has been isolated and relief cut off. Germans also crossed the Yser river and captured Lille, have repulsed three counter attacks by the Allies and made some progress.

Those are the outstanding features of the summary of operations given the International News Service by the war office today. It was added that operations about Warsaw are highly successful and Germans have inflicted heavy losses upon Russian defenders.

Shows, are the daredevil motorcycle experts who thrilled spectators last night at the first performance. This attraction, insofar as thrills are concerned, ranks above any of the other acts upon the grounds.

Sheesley's motorcycle experts will take part in the motorcycle races upon the race track for professionals, Hartley and Chandler having won yesterday afternoon over Oaktree, of Troy, the purse being \$30. Sam Brown, of Montgomery, who holds the championship at the Montgomery and Mobile race tracks, was eliminated from the races yesterday on account of being thrown from his machine. He started off with his machine wide open, and probably struck a pebble, which caused the machine to skid. Brown turned possibly three or four somersaults in the air, and bit the dust. It is remarkable that he was not killed outright, but as it was he only sustained a slight injury to the shoulder.

It is expected that Hartley, Chandler and Brown will be in the professional races this afternoon, and if they are the spectators will witness one of the most thrilling races to be offered.

Sheesley has a number of attractions upon the grounds, most of which are good, but the Motordome is the best of all.

The program for Wednesday has not been made out yet, but will include the racing races starting at 2:15 o'clock in the afternoon, and the trotting races at 3:30. The entrants will be professional.

## Four Killed When Dry Kiln Collapses at Samson Today

A few minutes before 6 o'clock this morning the dry kiln at the Alabama Mill & Lumber company here collapsed, burying five men in the debris. Four were dead when taken out while the fifth, Willie Brown, was rescued from beneath a pile of brick and timber scarcely unscathed and not seriously hurt save for bruises. About seven or eight other men had narrow escapes, some of them being hit with rods when they jumped for safety.

The known dead are: J. A. Butler, foreman, aged 40, having wife and six children; Marvin P. McGraw, 14; Ed Francis, 20, married widow and one child; Alva Taylor, 20. All are white men. In about fifteen minutes about twenty men were working on the pile, and were probably three thousand feet high.

Editor Oswald of the Dothan Eagle was here today, and the Eagle

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